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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HELD AT THE LICK OBSERVATORY, JUNE 8, 1895.

President Burckhalter took the chair, and a quorum was present. The minutes of the last meeting were approved. The following members were duly elected:

## LIST OF MEMBERS ELECTED JUNE 8, 1895.

CHARLES L. ACKERMAN 426 California St., S. F.
Mr. Edward Crossley, F. R. A. S.,* Bermerside Observatory, Halifax, England.
Mr. WILLARD B. FARWELL { Room 9, 819 Market St., San Francisco, Cal.
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University of Chicago Library Dept. of Astronomy, Chicago, Ill.
Professor Henry C. Lord { Director of the McMillin Observatory, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.
Mr. W. F. Main
Mr. Enos Putman* Grand Rapids, Michigan.
Mrs. Enos Putman Grand Rapids, Michigan.
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Rev. Henry Wood St. Ignatius College, S. F., Cal.
Mr. WILLIAM H. WRIGHT LICK Observatory, Mt. Hamilton, Cal.

<sup>\*</sup> A star signifies life membership.

The following was adopted:

In recognition of the generous gift by Mr. EDWARD CROSSLEY, F. R. A. S., of his 3-foot reflector and its dome to the LICK Observatory,

Resolved, That Mr. CROSSLEY be elected a life member of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, without payment of dues.

The following report from the Library Committee was accepted and adopted, and laid upon the table:

To the Board of Directors, Astronomical Society of the Pacific:

A number of books have been out for some months, although requests have been mailed to the members to return them.

A number of books stand charged to the members taking them, although it is known that they have been returned, but not checked off.

The present arrangement of issuing books is unsatisfactory, in that it depends entirely upon the members remembering to leave a memorandum of the book they take out. Any member can take any book, the only condition being that he shall leave a memorandum noting same. This book is then charged against him, and credited to him on its return, if accompanied by a corresponding memorandum. If, however, another member sees this book upon the table between the time of its return and its being replaced on the shelves, he may take it out, and in the absence of a memorandum left by him it would still stand charged against the member taking it originally.

Many of the books are out for long periods of time, and usually they are those most needed for consultation.

Vour committee respectfully suggests the propriety of setting aside certain books of reference for reference only, and not issue them to any of the members; also, that steps be taken to so regulate the issue and return of our books as to protect the best interests of the Society.

Respectfully submitted.

E. J. MOLERA,

ROSE O'HALLORAN,
A. H. BABCOCK,

Library Committee.

1895, June 4.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Library Committee be requested to report whether an arrangement cannot be made with some one of the public libraries of San Francisco to care for the A. S. P. books and to issue them to our members without cost to the A. S. P., in return for the privilege of allowing their subcribers to consult A. S. P. books in their reading-rooms.

Resolved, That the Library Committee be requested to furnish the Secretaries with a list of those Corresponding Institutions whose names are printed on page 14 of Volume 7 of our Publications, which have sent none of their volumes in exchange for our own.

It was further, on motion,

Resolved. That the President appoint two members of the A. S. P. to act with himself as a Special Committee to determine whether it may not be desirable to change the rooms of the A. S. P. in San Francisco to another building.

It was, on motion,

Resolved, That in the death of Mr. JOSEPH A. DONOHOE, the generous founder of the comet medal of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, and a life member of this Society, our organization has lost a cherished associate, and a sincere patron of astronomical science.